

# COMMUNITY OF FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**Sunday, September 25, 2016**

**Worship 11:00am**

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*+ All who are able may stand*

*Regular type, one speaks; **bold type, everyone speaks.***

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## **Preparing Ourselves**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

+Call to Worship *From "Call to Worship, Year C", PCUSA.*

L: We who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord;

**P: "My refuge and my fortress, my God in whom I trust."**

L: Under God's wings we find refuge, for God is our shield and our protector.

**P: To God alone be all glory and honor, now and forever. Amen.**

+Prayer of the Day and Lord's Prayer

Let us pray: **God of awe and wonder, guide us in our worship today to be mindful of your presence and aware of our need to grow in our faith in you. Hear and enjoy our expressions of praise and thanksgiving as we lift them to you; and hear us also as we pray together the prayer that Christ taught us: *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.***

+Hymn of Praise

*He Has Made Me Glad (2x)*

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## Call to Reconciliation

Even when we try to be perfect we have all fallen short of what God desires for us. But through the love and grace of God we can seek reconciliation and learn to grow in our life of faith. Let us now make our confessions before God and one another.

## Prayer of Confession

*From "Call to Worship, Year C", PCUSA.*

**Protector and provider of all, we have sought to increase treasure and bolster security more than we have cultivated justice, godliness, and love. we love money and influence, with little thought for the evil that such love breeds. In mercy forgive our selfish greed. Quicken our hearts by your Spirit, that we may care more for what lasts than for treasures that quickly fade. Grant us courage to live in the way of the cross, as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. (moment of silence.)**

## Assurance of Forgiveness

As people of God we are assured of God's graceful forgiveness through our faith in Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Please turn to someone near you and say, "In Jesus Christ you are forgiven."*

## Response of Praise

*Gloria Patri*

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## Passing of the Peace

L: By offering the peace of Christ to one another, we recognize each other's place in the family of God. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

**P: And also with you.**

*Please greet one another with a handshake and/ or the exchange of the peace.*

## Anthem

### Hearing God's Word

#### Prayer for Illumination

*from ministrymatters.com*

**God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and of all the saints who have come before us, we pray that your word today will not fall on deaf ears, on closed minds or hardened hearts. May the words that are spoken today transform**

our minds and hearts, unveiling the richness of your love, the depth of your grace and the goodness of your mercy. Amen.

First Reading      Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

Hymn                      *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*                      #288

Second Reading      Luke 16:19-31

Sermon                                      Rev. Sharon Carter

### **Responding With Thanks and Praise**

Affirmation of Faith                      Apostles' Creed (ecumenical)                      p.14

The Service of Giving

Prayer of Dedication

Musical Offering

+Response of Praise                      *Doxology*                      #592

Joys and Concerns of the People of God

Prayers of the People

### **Going Forth to Love and Serve**

+Sending Hymn                      *The Summons*                      STF2130

+The Charge

+The Benediction

+ The Postlude